

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Alexander SCHNELL *et al.*

Application No.: 10/597,010

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For: Braze alloy and the use of said braze alloy

Art Unit: 4191

Examiner: Mekhlin, Eli S.

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**Via EFS-Web**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 15 December 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period of response thereto, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows. A Petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), with the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), is filed concurrently herewith.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Kindly rewrite Claims 1-11 as follows; please note that no amendments are made to the claims at this time, the claims being reproduced to assist in their further examination:*